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## Jennie M. Ackerman Hall



The new home economics building is scheduled for formal opening in April, 1964.



# *Alumni News Bulletin*

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**COVER:** Alumni Day 1964 saw many ISC graduates return to the campus. Four alumnae are shown in front of John Sutton Hall on their way to the registration desk at Leonard Hall.

This scene was repeated many times throughout the busy day which included meetings of the Alumni Association, class reunions, the awarding of the alumni citation, dedication of two new buildings, open house at a newly-renovated classroom building, and numerous other activities.

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# Dedications and Open House Featured on Alumni Day

Alumni Day provided the background for the dedication of two new buildings and an open house at a third on the ever-expanding campus of Indiana State College.

Dedicated were the new home economics building, named in honor of Jennie M. Ackerman, and a new men's dormitory, named for McClellan Gordon. The open house was held at a newly-acquired and remodeled classroom building named in honor of Joseph M. Uhler.

**McClellan Gordon** was born in Snow Hill, Maryland, in 1863 and spent his early years at Fort Littleton, Fulton County, Pennsylvania.

The well known educator accepted his first teaching position at the age of 16 and continued to serve in the areas of teaching and education throughout most of his life.

He attended Indiana State Normal School in Indiana, Pennsylvania, and graduated from the institution in 1885. Continuing his education, Mr. Gordon attended the Indiana Summer School of Methods in 1891 and Princeton and Columbia Universities Summer Schools in 1922.

Upon graduation from Indiana, Mr. Gordon served as principal in the public schools of West Newton, Pennsylvania, for one year, after which he accepted a similar position at Irwin, Pennsylvania, where he remained until 1892.

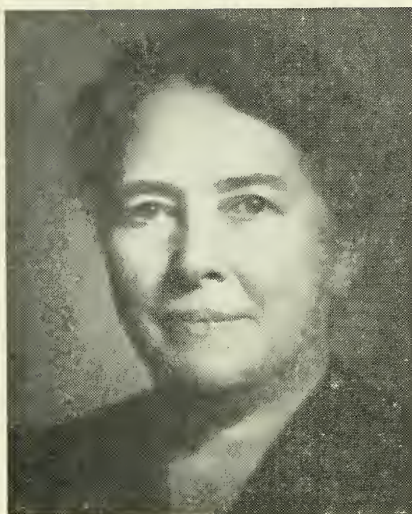
From 1892 to 1927, Mr. Gordon was a teacher in the Mathematics Department of the Indiana State Normal School, retiring after 35 years of dedicated and devoted service. He continued to serve Indiana as treasurer of the Jane E. Leonard Loan Fund until 1931.

In addition to his active life as teacher-educator, McClellan Gordon gave a great deal of time to community and civic affairs — as a member of Borough Council, member of the Borough School Board, treasurer of the Indiana Hospital, director of the building and loan association, director of the Indiana Community Chest, and, for many years, a trustee of the First Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. D. Hall Blair, an only child who enjoyed a particularly close relationship with Mr. Gordon, said of her father, "His standards were uncompromisingly high; he expected of his students strict promptness, clear thinking, careful workmanship, and absolute integrity. But he never demanded of anyone else nearly so much as he demanded of himself."



# JENNIE M. ACKERMAN



Jennie M. Ackerman, teacher and director of the training school at Indiana State College from 1902 to her retirement on July 30, 1938, came to Indiana from East Stroudsburg where she had served as head of the training school from 1897 to 1902. Prior to that she was a teacher in the public schools of Redbank, New Jersey.

Miss Ackerman began her education at De Garmo Institute in New York, attending from 1890 to 1892. From 1892 to 1894 she studied at the State Normal School, New Paltz, New York. She did additional work at Columbia University during the summers of 1892 and 1924.

During her long and fruitful career, Miss Ackerman did much to develop and maintain high standards in student teaching requirements when they were treated very lightly in many teacher education institutions. During her 36 years at Indiana, Miss Ackerman, who possessed a keen judgment of student capacities, had the unusual ability of developing to the utmost student personalities and skills. She also had a great deal to do with the social growth of students at Indiana State College.

After her retirement from Indiana, Miss Ackerman accepted the position of dean of women at Drew Seminary, a position in which she remained for ten years.

In 1948, she left Drew Seminary and moved to Coral Gables, Florida, where she remained until her death in 1962.

Mrs. Flossie Wagner Sanford, in a recent statement, had this to say about Miss Ackerman: "To the students who attended Indiana between the years 1902 and 1938, Miss Ackerman was the training school and the training school was definitely the heart of the college.

"Miss Ackerman had great charm, as well as wisdom and ability. She held the admiration, respect, and deep affection of the training teachers who worked under her supervision, the great number of student teachers, the host of children of the Training School, and their parents with whom she had a close personal relationship."



## JOSEPH M. UHLER

**Joseph M. Uhler**, born in 1881 in Elizabethville, Pennsylvania, where he received his early education, attended State Normal School at Shippensburg, Pennsylvania, and graduated from the institution in 1905. He received his A.B., A.M., and Ed.D. from the University of Pittsburgh.

In 1907-08, Dr. Uhler was supervising principal of the Cresson, Pennsylvania, Public Schools; from 1912 to 1918, he served as supervising principal of the Public Schools of Conemaugh, Pennsylvania, at which time he was appointed District Superintendent of the system, serving in that capacity until 1925.



During the summers of the years 1922 to 1925, he taught at the State Normal School at Indiana, Pennsylvania. He was appointed as a full time staff member in September, 1925.

During the next 17 years, he served at Indiana as director of extension, instructor in the Education Department, dean of instruction, and director of student teaching and placement. In 1942, he was elected President of Indiana State College, in which capacity he served until his death in 1947.

During these five years, Dr. Uhler frequently displayed his devotion to education in general and to Indiana State College in particular. Looking toward the cultural, physical, and spiritual progress of all the students, he, at the same time, planned carefully the courses and curricula which would best meet the needs of the students.

In a recent tribute, the Alumni Association had this to say about Dr. Uhler: "Dr. Uhler had the ability to make and to keep friends. His warm welcome to returning graduates or members of the Alumni Association and his cheerful greeting to parents of the students steadily widened his friendship circle. His sense of humor, his calm manner, his wise decisions which were made after carefully weighing the questions, and holding fast after his mind was made up, were qualities which marked him above the ordinary person.

"His college associates felt that he understood them and we know that he sympathized with all the members of the teaching profession and favored any legislative measures for their benefit."

# Alumni Citation Awarded To William Vallie Whittington and M. Vashti Burr Whittington



**William Vallie Whittington**



**M. Vashti Burr Whittington**

The Indiana State College General Alumni Association's Eleventh Annual Citation for outstanding service to education was awarded to Dr. M. Vashti Burr Whittington (posthumously) and to William Vallie Whittington at the alumni luncheon on Alumni Day, Saturday, May 23, 1964. Making the presentation was Helen M. Brennan, president of the General Alumni Association.

The coveted award is presented annually to the person, or persons, who in the opinion of the alumni association has rendered "distinguished service toward the attainment of the high ideals and standards for which the college at Indiana stands."

Dr. Whittington, a native of Ebensburg, Pennsylvania, served as deputy attorney general for Pennsylvania from 1926 to 1931, and again from 1943 to 1955. She was the first woman to hold a top position in the Pennsylvania Justice Department. Her work for the state was as a specialist on interstate and federal-state matters.

Miss Burr, the name she used professionally, was married in 1938 to William V. Whittington, an attorney in the legal adviser's office of the State Department in Washington, D. C.

Vashti graduated from the Indiana Normal School in 1918 and took her law degree from Dickinson Law School, Carlisle, Pennsylvania, in 1924.

She taught school in Ebensburg and Bedford, Pennsylvania, before she entered law practice. During her successful career as an attorney, she maintained law offices in Ebensburg, Johnstown, and Harrisburg.

She was admitted to the Cambria County Bar in 1925, the same year she was admitted to the Pennsylvania Supreme Court and the U.S. District Court. In 1927 she was admitted to practice before the Pennsylvania Superior Court and admitted to the Dauphin County Bar Association. In 1928 she was admitted to practice before the U. S. Supreme Court.

In 1952, Miss Burr was awarded an honorary degree of doctor of jurisprudence from Dickinson College.

She was well known as an author, having published many articles, reviews, lectures, and addresses relating to taxation, activities and opportunities of business women, and opportunities for service by women in defense and war.

She was a member of numerous professional, educational and fraternal organizations and also held membership in the National Federation of Republican Women's Clubs and Pennsylvania Council of Republican Women.

Miss Burr was honorary president of Cambria County Council of Republican Women which she organized in 1930, and of which she was president until 1938. She also was honorary chairman of the Republican Women's Club of Ebensburg which she organized in 1925, and of which she was president until 1938.

This year's co-recipient of the Citation had, for many years, been active in alumni activities of Indiana State College, both in the District of Columbia Unit and in the General Alumni Association. She was also responsible for the organization of the All Pennsylvania College Alumni Association of Washington, D.C., of which she was president for several years and in which she remained active until her death.

Mr. Whittington, an attorney with the Legal Adviser's Office of the U. S. Department of State, has had a long and successful career of service in the field of law.

A graduate of Georgetown University's School of Law, Mr. Whittington established law practice in Washington, D. C., in 1928. From 1930 to 1935 he served as legal assistant in the Treaty Division of the U. S. Department of State.

He was appointed special assistant to the commissioner of the Federal Communications Commission in 1935 and served in that capacity until 1937 when he was named technical assistant in the Treaty Division of the Department of State.

Mr. Whittington has served the Department of State in a variety of ways since that early assignment, currently as senior attorney in the Legal Adviser's Office, which post he has held since 1962.

An active participant in the affairs of the State Department, Val, as he is known to his friends and associates, has rendered invaluable service to the Department at a great many treaty negotiations and conferences, among them the United Nations Conference on International Organizations, held in San Francisco in 1945, at which the U. N. Charter was drawn up and signed.

Mr. Whittington, a well-known author and lecturer, is a member of many professional associations, among them the American Bar Association, the Federal Bar Association, and the American Society of International Law.

In naming this year's citees, Miss Brennan, president of the Indiana State College General Alumni Association, said, "Val and Vashti Whittington have served Indiana and the ideals for which Indiana stands for many, many years. They are indeed deserving of the honor bestowed upon them by the Alumni Association. I consider it a rare privilege to place their names alongside those who have been awarded this citation in the past."

Previous recipients of the coveted award include Agnes Sligh Turnbull, famous American novelist; Carl S. Weyandt, industrialist; James Stewart, movie actor; James S. Mack, president and chairman of the G. C. Murphy Co.; Mrs. Ward C. Johnson, devoted Indiana alumna; Michael Gendich, Detroit industrialist and famous Indiana athlete; Ralph W. and Harry C. McCreary, Indiana industrialists; Clara E. Cockerille, noted educator; R. Hastie and N. DeWitt Ray, co-publishers of the Indiana Evening Gazette; and Helen M. Brennan and Rose Brennan McManus, devoted educators and loyal supporters of college alumni activities for many years.

## Two New Buildings Approved By DPI

The Department of Public Instruction recently gave approval to two new building projects at Indiana State College, Indiana, Pennsylvania. The new additions will include a Learning and Research Center to be built at a cost of \$1,114,000 and a president's residence to be built at a cost of approximately \$60,000.

Plans for the Learning Center are currently being developed by the college. It is anticipated that the multi-story modern building will house the instructional resources center, a T-V education center, clinics, and various classrooms and facilities for an experimental elementary school.

Sites for location of the two new buildings have not yet been determined, but several are under consideration, Dr. Pratt, president of the college, stated. Plans should be completed within a year, at which time bids can be taken and construction undertaken, he added.

## Trustees Elect Officers

The Indiana State College Board of Trustees, at its May meeting, re-elected the following officers to serve during the coming year: President - Patrick F. McCarthy, Punxsutawney; Vice-President - James L. O'Toole, Sharon; Secretary - Robert Reynolds, Pittsburgh; Treasurer - Carl S. Weyandt, Indiana.

In other action the Board awarded a contract for student health and accident insurance to the Reschini Insurance Agency of 1100 Maple Street, Indiana, which submitted a low bid. The insurance will be required of all students not carrying similar policies with this or any other company.

The Board also approved an increase in housing fees from \$7 to \$8 per week, at the same time retaining the \$9 per week for student board. Other fees remained unchanged.



# Earlham College Philosopher Speaks at Commencement

Dr. D. Elton Trueblood, Professor of Philosophy at Earlham College in Richmond, Indiana, delivered the address at the spring commencement of Indiana State College, Indiana, Pennsylvania, Sunday, May 24, 1964.

Dr. Trueblood spoke to 573 persons who received degrees at ceremonies in the George P. Miller Stadium.

Twenty-eight of the graduates were awarded master of education degrees. A total of 532 persons received bachelor of science in education degrees, while the remaining 13 were granted bachelor of arts degrees. In addition ROTC commissions were granted to 14 graduates who were commissioned Second Lieutenants in the U. S. Regular Army and to 22 who became officers in the U. S. Army Reserve.

During the exercises Dr. Ralph W. Cordier, dean of faculties and academic affairs at the college, introduced the deans of the schools and Dr. Willis E. Pratt, president of ISC, conferred the degrees upon the graduates.

Invocation and Benediction were given by Rev. Raymond E. Rockwell, pastor of the First Regular Baptist Church, Indiana. Edgar Highberger, a junior in the Indiana music department, played the organ for the commencement processional and recessional and during the conferring of degrees.

Commencement speaker Dr. Trueblood has authored 21 books, the latest being *The Humor of Christ* published in February of this year. He held professorships at Guilford, Haverford, Harvard and Stanford before moving to Earlham.

Born in Pleasantville, Iowa, Dr. Trueblood received his bachelor of arts degree from William Penn College, a bachelor of sacred theology degree from Harvard University and his doctorate of philosophy from Johns Hopkins University.

Many honorary degrees have been conferred upon the noted educator by such institutions as Washington and Lee University, Miami University, University of Vermont, Ripon College, Simpson College, Otterbein College, Tarkio College, Kenyon College and William Penn.

Dr. Trueblood is currently a member of the board of Council on Religious and International Affairs, a member of the board at William Penn College and president of Yokefellow Associates.

In the past the noted philosopher has been chairman of Friends World Committee for Consultation, 1947-52; chief of religious information of U. S. Information Agency and adviser to Voice of America, 1954-55; and clerk of Indiana Yearly Meeting of Friends 1956-60.

A member of the American Philosophical Association and the Cosmos Club of Washington, D. C., Dr. Trueblood was awarded the Outstanding Christian Service Award in 1952 by the Church Federation of Greater Chicago and the Churchman of the Year Award in 1960 by Washington Pilgrimage.



# Summer Theater Guild To Begin 13th Season

Indiana Summer Theater Guild opens its thirteenth consecutive season on July 1 with "Take Her, She's Mine." Other plays to be presented in the Theater-by-the-Grove at the Fisher Auditorium of Indiana State College are "Of Mice and Men," July 8-11; "The Corn Is Green," July 15-18; "Anastasia," July 22-25; "Private Lives," July 29-August 1; and "Take Me Along," August 5-8.

In "Take Her, She's Mine", a comedy by Phoebe and Henry Ephron, the phases of a girl's life are cause for rich enjoyment—except to fearful fathers. Through the first two years, the authors tell us, college girls are frightfully sophisticated about all departments of human life. Then they pass into the "liberal" period of causes and humanitarianism, and some into the intellectual lethargy of beatnikville. Finally, they start to think seriously of life and marriage to come. There are rippling scenes of ogling students from the nearby male schools, of jibberish verse and folk-singing, and of the devious habits of American dating. It's an experience in growing up, as much for the parents as for the girls.

"Of Mice and Men," an outstanding drama by John Steinbeck, is a tremendously moving study of the character of two roving farmhands, one of whom—"with the strength of a gorilla and the mind of an untutored child"—unwittingly murders a woman, and is killed by his friend to prevent his falling into the hands of the law.

In "The Corn Is Green," a comedy by Emyln Williams, Miss Moffat, an English spinster, settles in a Welsh mining village where she starts a school for the boys of the neighborhood. Morgan Evans shows promise and Miss Moffat determines to do everything possible for him. Against the prejudice of local folk and the wealthy squire, she manages to make good, and in Morgan she finds a young man who will go far. She at last persuades the squire to lend his support and prepares the boy to apply for a scholarship to Oxford. Morgan, however, rebels against help from a woman, and temporarily succumbs to the charm of a flashy girl; his mistaken sense of obligation nearly ruins his chances of success.

"Anastasia," a drama by Guy Bolton, will be presented July 22-25. Suppose you knew there were ten million pounds being held by English and Swedish banks for the children of the Russian czar? And suppose you found a girl who had told a hospital nurse that she was the only surviving princess and you saw a chance of cashing in on that big fortune? You might be tempted as was Beunine, a Berlin taxi-driver who was once a wealthy Russian prince. It was such a girl, lost in the mists of amnesia, who fell into the hands of Beunine and his shady associates. The outcome is tense and moving drama.

"Private Lives," a comedy by Noel Coward, presents Sybil and Elyot Chase, who arrive at a hotel in France for their honeymoon. Elyot has recently been divorced by his first wife, Amanda. He discovers that Amanda has also just married and has arrived in the adjoining suite with her new husband, Victor. Meeting alone on the hotel balcony they impulsively decide to elope. Arriving in Paris they find, after a few days,

that they alternate constantly between ecstatic happiness and their former bickering. The scene culminates in a conflict amounting to a physical fight, and as they roll together on the floor Sybil and Victor burst into the room. This incredible scene culminates in an equally surprising conclusion.

"Take Me Along," a musical by Joseph Stein and Robert Russell with music and lyrics by Bob Merrill is based on the play "Ah, Wilderness!" by Eugene O'Neill. It is a double-threaded tale of small-town life in 1906. One of the narrative threads deals with the puppy-love of an awkward adolescent for a sweet girl down the block, the other with the flickering romance between a broken-down, well-meaning, bottle-loving reporter and a spinster who broke their engagement sixteen years before because of his fondness for drink.

Patron's books of six tickets are available at \$10.00 per book. Of this amount \$7.00 will be used for the six admissions to the plays and \$3.00 will be a contribution to underwriting the theater and for placement of the name on the patron's list.

Regular season tickets are available at \$7.00. Special season tickets at \$4.00 are available to college students not enrolled in Indiana State College summer sessions and to all other high school and college students between the ages of 12-22. Individual admissions to Summer Theater Guild shows are \$1.50 each.

Purchase of season tickets represents a savings of more than 20 per cent. Those holding season tickets may make reservations for seats for any or all plays by calling 463-9111, Summer Theater Guild Office after June 22.

Season tickets should be contracted for now by writing Mr. John G. Watta, Summer Theater Guild Office, State College, Indiana, Pennsylvania.

## Graduate School Offers First Fellowship

For the first time the Graduate School of Indiana State College is offering a Theta Xi Graduate Fellowship to a qualified graduate student with a major in guidance for the fall semester, 1964.

The Fellowship, which carries with it a stipend of \$1,000, will permit half-time graduate study and require half-time participation in the Theta Xi study of "Student Values and the College Experience." Students are expected to assume responsibility for fees which are \$20 per credit hour.

It is desirable that applicants for the Fellowship will have completed about one-third of the guidance program prior to the beginning of the fall, 1964, semester. This may be accomplished during the 1964 summer sessions at Indiana.

# Alumni Day — Candid S



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# The Council of Alumni Associations of The State Colleges of Pennsylvania

A summary of the minutes of the meeting of the Council of Alumni Associations of the State Colleges of Pennsylvania held in Harrisburg, Saturday, April 11, 1964.

Present at the meeting were representatives of each of the fourteen state colleges. Communication Services, Inc. was represented by Donald W. Rich, Jr., President.

President Lunn presented two matters for future consideration by the Council: (a) the need to broaden the membership of the Council to include non-faculty representatives and (b) the need for each alumni association to keep an up-to-date list of key alumni. The latter suggestion arises from the need to be ready to suggest names for task force work which may be started soon by the Council of Higher Education as well as for advancing future programs of this Council. Although many of our Alumni, he said, are best known in the teaching profession, names of graduates who have established reputations in other fields should be included in such a list.

Mr. Rich then called the attention of the members to the Denniston articles and the pending introduction of Resolution No. 30 in the House of Representatives. He urged early and complete returns of the Questionnaire sent out by Secretary Patterson.

A motion by Zahorchak, seconded by Furgiuele, that the Council support Resolution No. 30 and that alumni units be asked to support this resolution by appropriate action locally was carried.

President Lunn urged that all 14 State Colleges be represented at a meeting on May 8 to which all Pennsylvania colleges and universities have been invited. The meeting is to discuss the use of some \$14 million of federal funds that will become available for distribution in Pennsylvania. It will be held in the Commonwealth Room of the Penn Harris Hotel.

Mr. Rich stated that there is a possibility that the Appropriation Committee of the House of Representatives may not sustain the cut in the State College Appropriation Bill which was made by the Budget Office. In that case, President Lunn pointed out that every effort will have to be made to sustain the restoration of funds when the bill reaches the floor.

President Lunn asked for and secured approval of his appointment of a Nominating Committee to present nominees for the offices of President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and two members of the Executive Committee at the September meeting of the Council and of an auditing committee. Approval was granted. Appointed to this committee were Samuel F. Furgiuele of Indiana, chairman; Ernest C. Aharrah of Clarion, and Millard Ludwig of Bloomsburg.

Mr. Wallace Kerr asked that the need for additional funds to support the work of the Council be discussed at the meeting on Saturday, September 19, 1964.



# Klausing Named ISC Football Coach



Charles L. (Chuck) Klausing was recently appointed head football coach and director of athletics at Indiana State College.

Most recently, Mr. Klausing has been assistant football coach at West Point Military Academy under Paul Dietzel. Before that he served as freshman coach at Rutgers University on the staff of Coach John Bate-man.

Klausing graduated from Slippery Rock State College in January 1948, after having been a regular on the Rock football team for four years. In his senior year he served as captain of the team. It was during this year that he was named to the All Time Slippery Rock Team.

After teaching mathematics at East Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, High School for one semester, Mr. Klausing accepted the position of physical education teacher and head football coach at Pitcairn High School. His record at Pitcairn, where he served as coach until 1953, showed 30 wins, 7 losses, and 1 tie.

From 1954 to 1959, Klausing served as mathematics teacher and head football coach at Braddock, Pennsylvania, High School, where he recorded six undefeated seasons, chalking up 55 consecutive wins and 6 Class "A" WPIAL Championships.

Mr. Klausing attended Wilmerding High School where he played three years of regular varsity football and basketball. During his senior year at the school, he was captain of both the football and basketball teams. The same year he was named to the All State Football Team. He graduated from Wilmerding with honors in 1943.

Upon graduation from Slippery Rock, the new coach enrolled in the Graduate School of the University of Pittsburgh where he was awarded the Master of Education Degree and a Secondary Principal's Certificate.

During World War II he served for thirty-three months with the U. S. Marine Corps. Assigned to the V-12 program at Pennsylvania State University, he was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in 1945, at which time

he was appointed Athletic Officer at the Marine Barracks at Norfolk, Virginia.

During his varied career, Mr. Klausing has received many honors. During the period 1954-1959, he received the Curbstone Coaches Scholastic Coach of the Year Award; in 1955 and 1959 he was given the Dapper Dan Club Award for Outstanding Achievement in Sports.

Also in 1959 he earned the Pittsburgh Man of the Year Award in Sports and the B'nai B'rith Award for Brotherhood and Sportsmanship. During the years 1956 to 1959, he served as President of the Braddock Teachers Association.

Mr. Klausing is married to the former Joan Wit of Swissvale, Pennsylvania. The couple have five children, Patricia Ann, 13; Mary Lou, 11; Thomas, 10; Nancy Jane 6; and Kathleen Ann, 5.

## Official College Mace Adopted



Dr. Willis E. Pratt, president of Indiana State College, was presented the official college mace at ceremonies recently conducted at the college.

Making the presentation were Samuel F. Furgivele, chairman of the college commencement committee and Robert C. Seelhorst, member of the committee in charge of design and procurement of the standard.

The design for the mace was selected from several which were suggested by ISC students. The accepted design was submitted by John Varmecy, Art senior from Johnstown, Pennsylvania.

The mace is contemporary in design. A modification of the ancient battle axe, it is constructed of a walnut shaft and rhodium-coated steel head. The instrument has at its center a lacquered image of the official college seal in crimson and grey, the school colors.

The mace, which goes back to the middle ages, historically, is traditionally borne as a symbol of authority at college commencements, as well as at other official functions.

The mace which was presented to Dr. Pratt was used for the first time at the Spring Commencement on May 24. When not being used, it will hang on the wall of the president's office.

# Summer Activities of Interest to Alumni

June 5-7 - Western Pennsylvania Industrial Conference

June 8 - Pre Session Begins

June 15-19 - Elementary Education Workshop

June 15-21 - High School Band Institute

June 21 - High School Band Institute Concert - Flagstone Theater - 2 p.m.

June 22-27 - Marching Band Workshop

June 25 - Pre Session Closes

June 29 - Main Session Begins

June 29-July 4 - Marching Band Workshop

June 29-August 1 - Summer Institute in English

July 1-4 - Summer Theater - "Take Her, She's Mine" - Fisher Auditorium - 8:30 p.m.

July 8-11 - Summer Theater - "Of Mice and Men" - Fisher Auditorium - 8:30 p.m.

July 9 - Convocation - "Tenor Song Concert" - Roland Hayes Fisher Auditorium - 11:30 a.m.

July 14 - Convocation - "A Mime's Eye View" - Tony Montanaro - Fisher Auditorium - 10 a.m.

July 15-18 - Summer Theater - "The Corn Is Green" - Fisher Auditorium - 8:30 p.m.

July 16 - Convocation - "Llorlds' International Marionette Theater" - Daniel Llorlds - Fisher Auditorium - 10 a.m.

July 17 - Summer Pops Band Concert - Flagstone Theater - 8 p.m.

July 17-19 - Pa. School Boards Assoc., Inc. Conference

July 20 - Convocation - "The Complete and Generous Education" - Brooks Hays - Fisher Auditorium - 11:30 a.m.

July 22-25 - Summer Theater - "Anastasia" - Fisher Auditorium - 8:30 p.m.

July 27-August 14 - Home Economics Workshop

July 28 - Summer Pops Band Concert - Flagstone Theater - 8 p.m.

July 29-August 1 - Summer Theater - "Private Lives" - Fisher Auditorium - 8:30 p.m.

August 5-8 - Summer Theater - "Take Me Along" - Fisher Auditorium - 8:30 p.m.

August 7 - Main Session Closes

August 10 - Post Session Begins

August 10-21 - Community-School Health Education Workshop

August 13 - Convocation - "Philosophies We Live By" - Dr. Woodrow Wilson Sayre - Fisher Auditorium - 10 a.m.

August 17 - Convocation - Sahomi Tachibana and Fujimoto - Japanese Dancers - Fisher Auditorium - 11 a.m.

August 23 - Summer Commencement

August 28 - Post Session Closes

# News Items About Indiana Grads

## GIVEN CITATION

Audrey S. Graham, recent past president of the PSEA, was honored by Student PSEA and NEA with a citation at the Student PSEA Convention held at Marywood College, Scranton, Pennsylvania.

The citation, the fourth presented by the student group, reads: "The Student PSEA of the Pennsylvania State Education Association presents this citation to Audrey S. Graham with appreciation and affection for her deep understanding of the Student PSEA program, her continuous assistance, her gracious personality, and her unfaltering faith in youth."

Approximately 400 persons, including 279 delegates representing 51 colleges and universities, were in attendance at the convention.

## VASHTI BURR GIVEN AWARD

The Professional Panhellenic Association presented the Career Achievement Award to the late M. Vashti Burr Whittington in recognition of her devotion to fraternity, dedication of profession, loyalty to alma mater and support of civic affairs.

The award was accepted by her husband at the twenty first Biennial Convention on November 8, 1963, at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

## WHO'S WHO OF AMERICAN WOMEN

Miss Ruth Knowles, a member of the ISC English Department for approximately 20 years was recently named to **Who's Who of American Women**. Miss Knowles is currently associated with Norman College, a Southern Baptist college located in Norman Park, Georgia.

## SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

Friends of David Robertson, 1946, will be happy to learn that he has been serving as Superintendent of New Cumberland Boro Schools since 1960.

Dave assumed the chief administrative post of the school system after a varied career as elementary teacher in Ligonier Township, Sandy Township, and DuBois Schools; and elementary director of New Cumberland Boro Schools.

He is married to the former Ruth Ross of DuBois. They have two children, Judith, a graduate of Millersville State College, and Dave, who plans to attend Penn State next fall.

## NEW ADDRESS

Harold J. Freliche, 1957, a Lieutenant in the United States Navy has been transferred from Long Beach, California, to the following address: Lt. Harold J. Freliche, 6104 Clearfield Street, Seat Pleasant, Washington, D. C.

## COMPLETES COOKING COURSE

Pvt. John E. Moreau, 1963, completed an eight-week cooking course at the Army Armor Center, Fort Knox, Kentucky, April 1.

Pvt. Moreau received instruction in bread, cake and pastry baking, meat cutting and Army mess hall operations.

## RETIREMENT

Mrs. Marguerite Fiscus Lenhult, 1918, and a member of the Pittsburgh Unit of the General Alumni Association, retired on January 31, 1964, after serving thirty years in the teaching profession. Prior to her retirement she taught in Steubenville, Ohio; Follansbee, West Virginia; Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and at the McClellan School in Pleasant Hills, a suburb of Pittsburgh.



## **"BOSS OF THE YEAR"**

Owen C. Lewis, who graduated from the Indiana Normal School in 1925 and received his bachelor's degree in 1931, was recently awarded the "Boss of the Year" trophy by the Pittsburgh Association of Educational Secretaries at a dinner held in the Pick-Roosevelt Hotel.

Mr. Lewis, statistician for the Pittsburgh Board of Education, took a great deal of ribbing from Pittsburgh educational secretaries at the banquet in observance of National Educational Bosses Week. A good time was had by all.

## **AWARDED CITATION**

Mrs. Alice H. Davis, 1940, was awarded a citation "In recognition of Distinguished Contributions to the Advancement of Education" by the Department of Public Instruction.

The presentation was made by Dr. Charles Boehm, Superintendent of Public Instruction, at the annual March meeting of the Pennsylvania Association of County Superintendents.

The citation was presented to Mrs. Davis for establishing the first County Operated class in the elementary school area in the Commonwealth, as well as for other work for the gifted.

Mrs. Davis serves as Supervisor of Special Education in Indiana County.

## **TEACHER WINS SUMMER FELLOWSHIP**

Miss Shirley S. Stevens, 1961, of 347 Bank Street, Sewickley, Pennsylvania, has been awarded a full fellowship in the American Studies Program, according to an announcement by Dr. George S. Claghorn, Director. The Program will be held this summer at Eastern Baptist College in St. Davids, suburban Philadelphia.

She was one of fifty teachers selected to receive this honor, out of the hundreds nominated for it by principals of schools in a six-state area. The fellowships are provided by the William Robertson Coe Foundation of New York City.

Miss Stevens will participate in an intensive series of classes, workshops, and field trips during the sessions from July 6 through August 7. The purpose of the Program is to enrich a teacher's background in American history, literature, and thought, with particular reference to the meaning of our heritage for life today.

## **AT KENNEDY SPACE CENTER**

Joseph E. Duvanich, 1956, is an electrical engineer at the John F. Kennedy Space Center, NASA, at Cape Kennedy, Florida.

After graduating from Indiana State College, Mr. Duvanich took graduate courses at Santa Clara University. He served in the Navy prior to joining the Space Center in August, 1963.

## **RECEIVES MASTER'S DEGREE**

Mrs. Emma Lou Hay Somers, 1960, received a master of education degree from Pennsylvania State University on March 22, 1964.

## **WEDDING BELLS**

● Mary Alice Stitt, 1955, married James H. Williams on March 7, 1964 in ceremonies held at the Calvary United Presbyterian Church, Indiana.

Mrs. Williams has been teaching home economics at Bethel Park. Mr. Williams is employed by the office of the Inspector General, Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.

● Fleeta Gillespie, 1918, married Abram C. Shenefelt on January 25, 1964 in Cape Coral Presbyterian Church. They will reside in Cape Coral, Florida.



## AS IT MUST TO ALL

● Blair L. Moorhead, 1909, passed away at his home in Livermore, California, April 1, 1964, at the age of 75.

● Hazel Bushyager Gaston, 1916, died January 4, 1964.

● Mrs. Mary M. Mathews Lohr, 1909, died February 9, 1964 in Ligonier.

● Grace Butler Fleming, 1922, passed away April 11, 1964, in the J. C. Blair Hospital at Huntingdon.

● Mrs. Mae Davies Black, 1905, died October 5, 1963 at her home in Palo Alto, California.

● Mrs. Sarah Ann Murray Henry, 1919, died October 23, 1963.

● J. Regina Daly, 1911, passed away September 29, 1963.

● Mrs. Carol Porter Church (Carrie May Porter, 1902) died October 26, 1963.

● Mabel Saint Grey, 1902, died recently. She had been an active member of the Pittsburgh Unit of the Indiana State College Alumni Association.

● Della A. Vitale, 1909, passed away May 20, 1963.

● Ruth McConaughy Tucker, 1915, passed away at her home in Heathsville, Virginia, on January 1, 1964.

● Carolyn Clawson Crawford, 1909, died after a long illness on March 25, 1964.

● Irene Feeney Conroy, 1925, died April 19, 1964.

● Mrs. Martha Hervey Erk of Washington, D. C., and a member of the class of 1897, died on March 14, 1964, at the home of her daughter in Birmingham, Michigan.

● Bertha Mensch, 1906, died recently at the age of 83.

● Mrs. Lottie Bell Bryan Purdy, 1893, passed away Friday, May 15, 1964, at the home of her sisters the Misses Maud and Mary Bryan, 1190 Route 119 North, Indiana, Pa.

● Dorothy Irene Pero, 1929, passed away March 26, 1964. She had been a teacher in the Westinghouse Valley Area Schools for thirty-five years.

● Mrs. Audrey Stewart Thomas, 1931, passed away recently. She had been a teacher in the Braddock schools for 33 years.

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## Activities of the Alumni Units and Groups

### INSTANTO 1912

Janet Little Banfield and Ruth Galer Reimer arranged the spring luncheon for twenty-five members of the class of 1912, on Saturday, May 2, in Kaufmann's Dining Room, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Jean Russell, also a committee member, was engaged elsewhere, attending the wedding of a nephew.

Members who have wintered in Florida have returned, and others are soon to be on their way to Chautauqua and other resorts.

After a delicious lunch, reports were given on the 50 year Reunion Gift Fund; the number of class life members, the contributors to Annual Giving and Jennie Ackerman Funds.

Dr. Pratt's request for material relating to college history was noted.

Helen Brennan, alumni president, and class member, gave us up to date news of the Association and the College.

We were distressed to learn of the serious illness of Edith Mackall Fischer.

Our deep sympathy is extended to Verne Martin McKee in the recent loss of her husband, while in Florida.

We were also sorry to learn of the passing of Ruth O'Neil Bracken's ninety-year old Mother.

After a pleasant hour of visiting, the group departed to their homes in Butler, Washington, Houston, Latrobe, Johnstown, Mount Pleasant, Oakmont, New Kensington and the four corners of Allegheny County.

Agnes Wright Young, Helen Brennan and Jean Lacock will arrange the fall meeting scheduled for November 7.

Submitted by  
Adelaide R. Clarke

### **PITTSBURGH-NORTH BOROUGH'S UNIT**

The Spring Luncheon and Business Meeting of the Pittsburgh-North Borough's Unit was held on Saturday, March 21, at Kaufmann's. Twenty-five members enjoyed the delicious luncheon and heart-warming talkfest that began at 12:30 p.m.

Beatrice Jeffries was in charge of the luncheon arrangements with Mildred Pauch and Sandra Choff in charge of the table decorations and favors. The beautiful center-piece of yellow daffodils delighted the eye with their vivid ray of sunshine. The favors, which were made by Mildred and her pupils, were yellow daffodil cups, containing mints and foil-wrapped chocolate eggs.

All the officers were present and were "ready and raring to start" the second of their two-year term. Catherine R. Taylor, President; Dorothy Faulk, Vice President; Ruth (Scandrol) Kennedy, Recording Secretary; Lillie (List) Herman, Corresponding Secretary, and Margaret Allen, Treasurer, will guide our Unit in

1964-65, as well as bring to a close in May, a most successful year.

The Business Meeting was conducted by President Miss Catherine Taylor. The Recording Secretary read the minutes of the previous meeting and recorded the new happenings of the day. The Treasurer Miss Margaret Allen, reported the financial success of the Benefit Bridge last December. A sizable amount was set aside to be presented to the General Alumni Association in May as our annual gift. At that meeting our Unit will be represented by Mrs. Adelaide (Ramsay) Clarke, Miss Mildred Pauch, Miss Margaret Allen, Mrs. Lillie (List) Herman and Miss Ethel M. Orr.

Miss Taylor will also be on campus with her reunion class of 1929 and Miss Mary Weyman with the class of 1904. Last year, Miss Estelle Luty celebrated the 65th anniversary of her graduation from our Alma Mater. She is a most faithful member of our Unit. Congratulations to all!

The next meeting will be May 9 at the University Club with Adele (Giammartini) Bauer, Edna (Dysters) Kappel, Fannie (Evans) Baird, and Juliette (DuBarry) Meyer in charge.

Submitted by  
Lillie (List) Herman  
Corresponding Secretary

### **WASHINGTON, D. C. UNIT**

Seventeen members and friends of the Washington, D. C. Unit attended the covered dish supper and annual business meeting of the unit at the home of Margaret Anderson.

Among the items of business was the election of Dorothy Rasmale as president of the organization succeeding Ruth Brillhart.

## NEW YORK CITY UNIT

The spring meeting of the New York City Alumni Unit was held on Saturday, April 18, at Schrafft's Fifth Avenue Restaurant in New York City, with fifteen members present.

Mrs. Martha Adams, president, presided at the business meeting during which the following officers were elected to serve for the coming year: President - Mrs. Mary Prugh MacLaughlin, Vice-President - Mrs. Bessie Wherry Noe, Treasurer - Mr. Oran Overly, Secretary - Miss Martha E. Zimmerman.

A most entertaining and informative report was given by Miss Janet MacLaughlin, daughter of Mary Prugh MacLaughlin, on her experiences in Nigeria while participating in Operation Crossroads Africa. Her lecture was illustrated with colored slides showing the life of the native people and progress of the special project of this group - the construction of a new school for children in one of the Nigerian villages. Janet's brother, Britton MacLaughlin, who is a student at Yale, assisted in the showing of the slides.

Submitted by  
Martha E. Zimmerman

## PITTSBURGH UNIT

The March meeting of the Pittsburgh Unit was held in the Director's Room of the new Pittsburgh National Bank Building at Fifth Avenue and Craig Street. Our president, Helen MacWilliams, who has consented to serve another year, presided.

Routine business, including reports of the Scholarship Benefit Luncheon, were disposed of. The death of one of our members, Mabel Saint Gray of the class of 1902, was reported. Also the death of a brother in the families of Audrey Graham and Anne

Carlin.

Peg North Bush was injured in an accident and Edith Miller and Louise Kelley were hospitalized. Letitia McClay Fulton has moved to Ligonier, Pa., and our Fleeta Gillespie has added the name Shenefelt since her marriage in Florida this winter.

On April 28th, we held our annual banquet at the College Club. The favors and table decorations were most attractive, especially the clever spring bonnet place cards, designed and made by Jeanine Du Fresne. When unfolded, they contained the evening's program, names of officers and the Alma Mater.

At the speaker's table were Dr. Pratt, president of the college, and Mrs. Pratt; Mary Esch, registrar at the college and executive secretary of the alumni association; Mrs. Flossie Wagner Sanford, president of the Pennsylvania State Federation of Women's Clubs; Mrs. Audrey Graham, first vice president of the Pennsylvania State Education Association; Helen MacWilliams, president of the Pittsburgh Unit; Mrs. Elizabeth McClure, who gave the invocation; Helen Brennan, president of the Indiana Alumni Association, and Mr. Samuel Furguele, editor of the Alumni News Bulletin, and Mrs. Furguele.

Dr. Pratt, Miss Esch, and Mr. Furguele brought greetings from the college. Mrs. Sanford reported on the Ackerman Memorial Fund and Audrey Graham on Annual Giving.

A delightful treat was music by a group of 7th and 8th grade pupils, the Bellaires of the Dilworth School, under the direction of Jeanine Du Fresne. This was followed by all singing the Alma Mater.

Respectfully submitted by  
Grace N. Lacock

# Alumni Association Membership

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